

Amendments to the Specification

On page 1 of the specification, immediately after the title and before the first line of text, please add the following section:

Cross Reference to Related Applications

The present application represents U.S. national stage of international application PCT/EP2003/007927, which had an international filing date of July 21, 2003, and which was published in English under PCT Article 21(2) on February 5, 2004. The international application claims priority to German applications 102 33 724.1, filed on July 24, 2002, and 102 58 098.7, filed on December 11, 2002.

On page 1 of the application, on the next line following the Cross Reference to Related Applications section described above, and before the text that is now found on page 1 of the application, please add the following heading:

Field of the Invention

On page 1 of the application, please amend the paragraph that appears on lines 12-18 and include a heading before the text as follows:

Background of the Invention

Duloxetine[®], (S)-(+)-N-methyl-3-(1-naphthyloxy)-3-(2-thienyl)propanamine hydrochloride, is a pharmaceutical that is used as an antidepressant and for the treatment of urinary incontinence. It inhibits the reuptake of both norepinephrine (?) and serotonin. The synthesis of Duloxetine[®] is described in detail in EP-A-273 658, EP-A-457 559 and EP-A-650 965.

On page 4 of the application, immediately preceding the paragraph that begins on line 23, please add the heading:

Description of the Invention

On page 5 of the application, please delete the paragraph that appears on lines 3-7 as shown below:

~~This object is achieved according to the claims. Claim 1 is directed to the process according to the invention. Dependent subclaims describe preferred embodiments. Claim x is directed to a specific intermediate product formed in the present reduction.~~

On page 20 of the application, before the text appearing on line 1, please add the heading:

Examples

On page 23, please amend line 1 as follows:

~~Patent Claims:~~ What is Claimed is: